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One Mile of Northbound I-17 Frontage Road in North Valley to Close for Interchange Construction

PHOENIX — One mile of the Interstate 17 frontage road, from Happy Valley Road to Jomax Road, will temporarily close to drivers in the North Valley for construction of the new Jomax Road traffic interchange and frontage-road improvements.

The northbound I-17 frontage road will be closed beginning 10 p.m. April 22 and is scheduled to reopen in mid-summer when the Jomax Road interchange is complete. The new northbound I-17 exit ramp at Jomax Road will be opened to allow traffic to access the northbound frontage road. Aside from this one exit ramp, the Jomax Road interchange will remain closed as construction progresses with completion scheduled for this summer. No direct business or residential access is affected by the restriction. The southbound I-17 frontage road in the area will not be closed.

The new Jomax Road interchange is one of several I-17 improvement projects north of Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) currently underway as part of the voter-approved Regional Transportation Plan for Maricopa County. Other I-17 projects currently underway include doubling the number of lanes from Loop 101 to Carefree Highway by the end of 2009, building new interchanges in several locations to improve access, and reconstructing the existing interchanges at Deer Valley Road and at Carefree Highway (State Route 74) to improve traffic flow. Another project to widen I-17 by one lane from Carefree Highway to Anthem Way is expected to begin in 2009 and be completed in 2010.

For more information about the frontage road closure or I-17 construction, contact the project hotline at 480.890.3055 or projectupdate@lewin-associates.com.

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